Healthy Grocery Staples

For the Pantry

An assortment of teas

Granola bars (at least 3 grams of fiber and protein per serving)

Dried fruit (small boxes of raisins)

Cereal (at least 4 grams of fiber per serving)

Old Fashioned or Steel Cut Oats

Brown or wild rice

Barley

Quinoa

Whole-wheat pasta

Wheat crackers (with whole wheat flour instead of enriched flour as first ingredient)

Tomato sauce (check the ingredients—you want a sauce made with only tomatoes, olive oil, and spices—no corn syrup or sugar added)

Canned diced or whole peeled tomatoes (choose No Salt Added when possible)

Canned tuna and/or salmon packed in water

Low-sodium canned soups

Canned beans – garbanzo (chick peas), pinto, black, kidney, etc. (choose No Salt Added when possible)
Basic seasonings - salt, pepper, salt-free seasoning mixes, Old Bay, taco seasoning, hot sauce, balsamic vinegar, red wine vinegar, low-sodium soy sauce

Healthy oils like extra virgin olive oil, canola oil, and nonfat cooking spray (keep oils out of the heat/direct light, in a cupboard, so they do not get rancid)

Bananas (for a bowl on the counter)

Avocados (when available)

For the Freezer

Frozen veggies (without sauces or seasonings)

Frozen fruit (without added sugar or syrup)

Ground turkey

Skinless chicken breasts

Frozen cooked shrimp

Frozen salmon or other fish

100% Whole wheat sliced bread (with at least 2 grams of fiber per slice and less than 100 calories)

Whole wheat English muffins

100% Whole Grain bread rounds





For the Refrigerator

Hummus

Eggs

Non-fat (skim) or low-fat (1%) milk

Non-fat (skim) or low-fat yogurt

Non-fat or low-fat (1-2%) cottage cheese

Calcium-fortified orange juice (100% juice)

Fruits and veggies (including staples of apples, oranges, lemons, lettuces, tomato, cucumber)

Nuts—almonds, walnuts, or cashews, roasted and unsalted

Natural nut butters—almond or peanut

Low-fat cheese: reduced-fat cheddar, part-skim mozzarella, or reduced-fat string cheese sticks

A block of good Parmesan cheese

Firm tofu

Extra-lean turkey bacon (approximately 20 calories per strip, 1 gram of fat or less, and 3+ grams of protein)

Tub-style margarine (non-hydrogenated and without trans fats)

Mustard

Salsa (try to buy fresh salsa whenever possible)

